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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination. Applicant respectfully requests that the amendment filed herewith be entered at this time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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